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report on a
wireless reflector station, and Soviet depots in the Rostock area. A
sketch which identifies installations at the station and depots is also
included.

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MILITARYWireless reflector station and Soviet depots at ROSTOCK

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1. [redacted] there is a W/T reflector station. It is manned and guarded by 50 V.P. whose commander is V.P. Meister Walter BALZ.
2. The station is fenced in and has three barrack huts. There is a tower approximately 80m. high made of metal lattice work.
3. At the top of the tower is a platform from which there is an approximately 2 - 5m high aerial. This aerial is at base approximately 1 cm in diameter.
4. From the platform, two arms approximately 0.8 cm thick branch out, at an angle of about 45 degrees. Each of these arms carries a parabolic mirror approximately 1.5m in diameter. The supporting arm protrudes through the mirror to a length of 20 cm. The direction in which the mirrors are sited is approximately E.S-E and S.W.
5. The accommodation area for the V.P. is immediately South of the fenced in area next to the race course. The garages are under the spectators stand of the race-course.
6. [redacted] on the old exercise ground, there is a Soviet Army ammunition depot and an R.O.C. depot [redacted] Both depots are in one fenced in area, and the road to them is a continuation of the KOPERNIKUS Strs. through the Barnsdorfer Wald.
7. The Depot area is approximately 250m from the ROSTOCK-WISMAR railway line and is about 300m broad and 5 - 600m long (see attached sketch). The area is protected by a fence 2m high and has electric lighting at 25m intervals. Each corner has a tower with MGs mounted and approaches to the area, are road blocked.
8. The ammunition depot has three underground bunkers 15m x 40m x 50m in the southern part of the depot and two connecting bunkers in the North approximately 15m x 170m and 15m x 40-50m. Above ground the bunkers are slightly raised, rounded and covered with grass and have wooden air ventilators.
9. To the North the P.O.L. depot has three underground tanks each of which has a filling pipe. The ground above the tanks is grass covered and flat. Several 3x axled petrol bowzers were seen in the vicinity.
10. [redacted] there are several food stores, one of which is used by the Soviet army.

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